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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION/AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated August 23, 2005, having a three month shortened statutory period for reply, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record. Also, enclosed herewith is a petition for a one (1) month extension of the shortened statutory period set by the Examiner and authorization to charge the required fee to the indicated deposit account.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.